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ATOMIC STRUCTURE

Practice Problems

In your notebook, solve the following problems.

SECTION 4.1 DEFINING THE ATOM

1. According to Figure 5.2, 100,000,000 copper atoms would form a line 1 cm long. How long would a line formed by 1×10^7 copper atoms be? Express your answer in millimeters.

SECTION 4.2 STRUCTURE OF THE NUCLEAR ATOM

1. A sulfur-32 atom contains 16 protons, 16 neutrons, and 16 electrons. What is the mass (in grams) of a sulfur-32 atom?
2. The mass of a neutron is 1.67×10^{-24} g. Approximately what number of neutrons would equal a mass of one gram?
3. Which statement is consistent with the results of Rutherford's gold foil experiment?
 - a. All atoms have a positive charge.
 - b. Atoms are mostly empty space.
 - c. The nucleus of an atom contains protons and electrons.
 - d. Mass is spread uniformly throughout an atom.

SECTION 4.3 DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN ATOMS

1. How many protons are found in an atom of each of the following?
 - a. boron
 - b. sulfur
 - c. neon
 - d. lithium
2. Complete the table for the following elements.

| Element | Number of Protons | Number of Electrons | Number of Neutrons | Atomic Number | Mass Number |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Manganese | 25 | | 30 | | |
| Sodium | | 11 | 12 | | |
| Bromine | 35 | | 45 | | |
| Yttrium | | | | 39 | 89 |
| Arsenic | | 33 | | | 75 |
| Actinium | | | | | 227 |

3. How many neutrons are in each atom?
 - a. $^{23}_{11}\text{Na}$
 - b. $^{238}_{92}\text{U}$
 - c. $^{81}_{35}\text{Br}$
 - d. $^{19}_{9}\text{F}$
4. The two most abundant isotopes of carbon are carbon-12 (mass = 12.00 amu) and carbon-13 (mass = 13.00 amu). Their relative abundances are 98.9% and 1.10%, respectively. Calculate the atomic mass of carbon.
5. Element X has two isotopes: X-100 and X-104. If the atomic mass of X is 101 amu, what is the relative abundance of each isotope in nature?